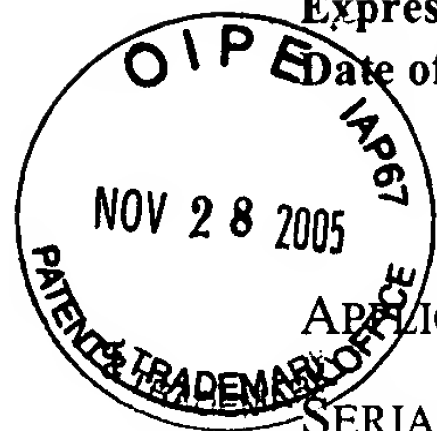


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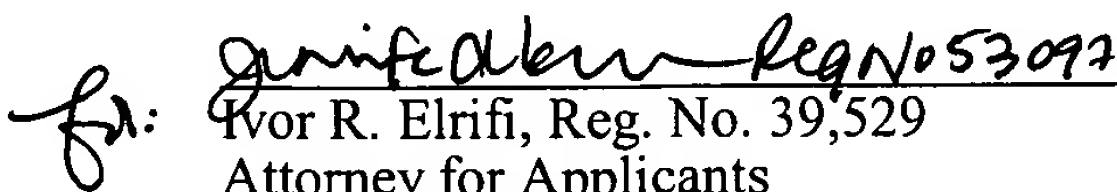
**COMMUNICATION**

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2004 and in further response to the Notice of Appeal filed April. 28, 2005 in the above-identified application, Applicants have on this date filed a continuation application in lieu of filing an Appeal Brief. Applicants file herewith a Petition for a Five-Month Extension of Time, along with a check in the amount of \$2,160.00 to cover the required fee. A duplicate copy of our Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed herewith. With the extension, the Appeal Brief is due on November 28, 2005.

Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 23239-201 NATL).

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

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